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37 Reported Saved Through Sword Literature In March

By VIOLA WALDEN, Office Mgr.

Thirty-seven, an average of more than one a day, trusted Christ as Saviour as a result of reading Sword of The Lord and pamphlets by Dr. John R. Rice, during March, and wrote in to tell us so. When we stop to consider how many thousands of copies of our literature were distributed, then it seems there should have been more. We trust there were. We ask our readers to especially pray that the 200,000 copies of the booklet, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* (one copy for every house in Buffalo) may be used to turn many to God. Dr. Rice and Rev. Shufelt are to be in Buffalo for the campaign, "Christ for Greater Buffalo," beginning April 9. Over one hundred and thirty churches will be cooperating, and these booklets are being given to every family visited before the campaign begins.

Mr. A. C. Smith, of San Antonio, Texas, doing prison work, writes us that he received word from thirty-three during February who had trusted in Christ after reading Dr. Rice's booklets and twelve during March. Then there came to our office a report from nineteen saved through the reading of the booklet, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?*, four from Dr. Rice's sermon in The Sword of The Lord, *Neglect — The Shortest Road to Hell*, one from the Heaven booklet,



Viola Walden

and one did not specify any one sermon or booklet but said she was saved after reading our literature. We believe no one can read these testimonies below without realizing the power of the gospel to raise men from the deadness of sin to newness of life in Christ Jesus.

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"No More Great Revivals" They Say

"Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

By EVANGELIST JOHN R. RICE.
(From the Harvester)

"No more great revivals." That is the slander against God and the Bible and Christianity that is being spread in America by many. But consider

I. WHO SAYS SO

The atheist for one. Man has become too enlightened to be fooled any more by the evangelists who preach that man is fallen, that Hell awaits sinners unconverted, who reject Christ as a personal Saviour. So says the atheist.

The modernist says so too. We have learned better, they say, than to take the Bible as authority. No virgin birth, no bodily resurrection, no second coming, so no judgment, no Hell, no need for a new birth. So no more great revivals.

The formal, worldly-minded, compromising pastors and church members say the same thing. No more are they going to have evangelists criticising well-paying church members who dance and drink and curse and pet and gamble. No more making an issue over evolution or the virgin birth or unbelief in church colleges! People will not stand for that any more, they say. So down with evangelists and revivals!

Many devout, consecrated people are saying the same thing, however, helping to spread the devil's lie. Who are they? They are defeatist and defeated preachers who never weep when they preach, never agonize in prayer for revival. "No more great revivals," they say, but the truth is that kind of people never *did* have a revival; — men who rarely win a soul per-

sonally, men who never attack sin boldly as Bible preachers did, never preach on Hell or judgment, men who never had and never sought an endowment of power from on high like that which New Testament Christians sought and had, like that found by Wesley, Finney, Moody and Torrey!

How could they have a revival, men who never spent days fasting, nor nights in prayer? How could men have a revival who never lost a friend nor a job nor a home nor reputation for Christ? How could easy-going preachers, without sweat, without tears, without self-denial; men who were never called fools nor fanatics nor publicity seekers nor sensationalists nor trouble makers — how could they have a revival? So the easy way out is to blame the age or sinners or God and say there will never be any more great revivals. Men without faith, without Holy Spirit power to win souls, defeated men who bear little or no fruit say there will be no more great revivals. But God did not say it!

II. ALLEGED REASONS WHY NO MORE GREAT REVIVALS.

"We are in the last days," say some. Well that may be, but no one can say how close to the last. But according to the Bible the greatest revivals are yet to be. "A great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues,"

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"EVERETT FOR CHRIST"

By J. STRATTON SHUFELT

Back in 1910 Billy Sunday conducted a stirring revival campaign in the Pacific Northwest city of Everett, Washington. Reports are that no successful union campaign has been conducted in this Puget Sound port since that time until Dr. John R. Rice was invited by some twenty churches to hold a similar meeting. The Rice-Shufelt campaign from March 12 through April 2, 1944, had the distinct advantage of meeting in the modern, spacious Everett Civic auditorium, located on the city high school campus, seating 2,200. Crowds assembled every night to hear the forceful preaching of the evangelist.

Because of the extensive radio ministry, including a half hour each morning from the studios of KRKO and one hour of the service each night broadcast direct from the platform by KEVE, vast numbers of unsaved came, knowing what kind of messages they would hear, and seeking Christ in sincerity. Everett's Christians came to hear the thorough Bible preaching and heart-searching convictions of Dr. Rice regarding cleansing and fruitfulness. Many delegations attended from surrounding communities, including groups from Seattle, Tacoma, Mount Vernon, Bellingham, Olympia, Marysville, Silver Lake, Monroe, Arlington, Sunnyside, Snohomish, etc.

Officers and employees of the major industrial plants made up delegations to sit in special reserved sections from night to night. The Everett Pulp and Paper Co., the Walton Lumber Co., the Everett Pacific shipyards and the Weyerhaeuser Lumber Co. were so represented.

Other special nights included Sunday school night, when 53 converts signed cards in the inquiry room; Family night when many family altars were established or re-established; Service Men's nights together with Young People's nights, when delegations from Paine Field with Chaplain Martin, and Whidby Island Naval Air Station with Chaplain Kopp, attended the services.

Many extra meetings added to the combined spiritual influence of the Everett revival and various institutions took advantage of the fact that Dr. Rice was available. The Rice-Shufelt party appeared at the State Reformatory in Monroe, Washington, and the presence of the Lord was firmly felt as those hundreds of young men bowed their heads in prayer, some of whom trusted the Saviour. Two visits to the Simpson Bible Institute of the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Seattle proved truly noteworthy occasions. In response to the invitation of the president, Dr. J. D. Williams, a special assembly was called, cancelling all classes in order that the whole student body could hear Dr. Rice discuss the practical and profitable study of "Prayer." Another chapel period I addressed. Both evangelists participated in the services at Paine Field on succeeding Sundays and I appeared at the shipyards to speak at a workers' breakfast.

Twice the inter-church committee of cooperating pastors felt it would be wise and expedient to respond to the call of Dr. Rice for

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What Is A Christian?

By REV. BOB JONES, D.D.

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What Is a Christian?

I invite your attention to these words, which are found in the twenty-sixth verse of the eleventh chapter of the Acts of the Apostles:

"And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."

It is not my purpose to talk to you about why they were called Christians, but I want, if I can, to try to tell you what, in the light of the new Testament, a Christian really is.

There are many strange and false ideas about what it means to be a Christian. I suppose if I should walk up and down these aisles and ask you individually, what is a Christian, I would get many different answers. Some of you would say, "People who live in a Christian country." Somebody else might say, "People who have been baptized," and some one else would probably answer, "A Christian is a man who pays his debts and does the best he can."

I. What to Be a Christian Is and Is Not.

Now in the first place a Christian is not a person who lives in what we call a Christian country.



Dr. Bob Jones, Sr.

As a matter of fact there isn't any Christian country in the world. America is probably more nearly Christian than any other nation on the earth, but America is not a Christian country. Now don't misunderstand me. Everything we have that is really worth keeping in our country has come from the Christian religion. The Christians are the light of the world, and the salt of the earth. If all the Christians would leave America the civilization that we have would go with them; but America is not Christian, for the overwhelming majority of the people in this country are not right with God. I do not know a single city on this continent where the majority of the people are really on the side of Jesus Christ; not even a majority of the people in America belong to any church, and I tell you frankly, after having preached the Gospel in most of the states of the Union, that I do not believe fifty per cent of the church members are really Christians. You can live in what you call a Christian country, and not be a Christian.

2. I will tell you something else. You can join the church, be baptized, and take communion, and not be a Christian. It is possible to stand in the pulpit and preach and not be a Christian. I think I know more preachers than any man my age in this country, as I have spent nearly my entire life in association with ministers. I believe the majority of our preachers are godly, unselfish, consecrated men of God, but nobody would tell you that every preacher in America is a saved man.

You can go to church every Sunday, and sing in the choir; and you can read your Bible every day, and say your prayers, and still not be a Christian.

3. You can have a Christian father and mother, and still be unsaved. I am talking to somebody now who has a mother and father who pray for you every day, and still you are living without God. There is somebody in this audience whose father and mother have gone to heaven, and this moment they are reaching their hands

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"ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE," — Says Minister

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By LOLA BRADSHAW

Publication Manager, Sword of The Lord Publishers

Interest is rapidly mounting in The Sword of The Lord offer to send libraries of Christian books for subscriptions to The Sword. We are giving 50¢ worth of the best Christian books for each one year subscription to The Sword of The Lord if you send 20 or more. Churches, pastors, Sunday School superintendents and individuals are responding. Thus, if you send 20 one-year subscriptions at \$20.00, you may select \$10.00 worth of books from the list we will send you, and the books will be sent absolutely free and postpaid. For 50 subscriptions you would receive \$25.00 worth of books. For 100 subscriptions a \$50.00 library will be

sent you.

Many have already written for the sample copies, descriptive circulars, subscription blanks and list of books, and they have secured 20, 30, 40 and even more subscriptions, and are still working to get others. Quite a few pastors, church officers and Sunday school superintendents have set out to get at least 100 one-year subscriptions and so to receive free the \$50.00 library for their churches and Sunday schools. Some others in smaller churches and communities are trying for 20, 30, 40 or 50 subscriptions, or more. Some individuals

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WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

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through the blue sky above you and calling you to God, and still you go on in sin.

In the light of the New Testament a Christian is a person in whose life four things have taken place. If these things have not taken place in your life you are not a Christian. You may be a moral man, you may be a virtuous woman, you may have high ideals, you may have a generous heart, you may be philanthropic, you may be kind, you may be a very decent sort of a citizen, and do a great many admirable things, but unless these four things have taken place in your soul you are not a Christian.

Now what are these four things? First, conviction; second, repentance; third, conversion; and fourth, the new birth. Every man must be convicted. He must repent. He must be converted. He must be born again. I hope while I am talking you will search your heart, and ask yourself these questions solemnly, "Have I ever really been convicted for my sin, have I really and truly repented, have I been converted, have I been born again?"

I realize that it is a serious thing for me to stand here and talk to you about this subject. I am dealing with your soul. This job is more serious than the job of any surgeon in an operating room with his patient under an anesthetic. The surgeon deals with the human body. I am dealing with immortal souls. I can't afford to make a mistake. A preacher may be perfectly honest, and give the wrong directions to a lost soul.

Years ago a train with two engines attached was pulling up the mountains through the snow of the great Northwest. Aboard this train was a woman with a little baby in her arms. She had a ticket to a little town where the train never stopped except for through passengers from the East. Every time the flagman would pass through the coach this lady would say:

"Flagman, don't forget my station."

"Never mind, lady," the flagman would reply, "I'll see that you get off at the right place."

Finally a passenger, sitting across the aisle, said: "Don't worry, lady, I'll tell you when we get to the station."

At last the train stopped. The gentleman across the aisle said: "Lady, here is your place."

She gathered up her baggage, wrapped up her baby, and got off the train hugging the baby to her bosom. A moment later the train was moving on, and in about thirty minutes it stopped again. The flagman rushed into the coach and said:

"Where is the lady who wanted to get off at this station?"

"Why she got off thirty minutes ago," said the man across the aisle. "Did you tell her to get off?" asked the flagman.

"Yes, that was her station, wasn't it?"

"No, that wasn't any station. The engineer stopped for a moment to repair his engine, and there isn't a house within fifteen miles of that place, and if you put that woman off there she is dead now in some bank of snow, with a frozen baby in her arms."

"My Lord," said the man. "I was honest. I thought that was her station."

"You may have been honest," responded the flagman, "but you are responsible for the death of a woman and baby."

They sent a searching party back, and sure enough they found the woman dead, hugging to her bosom the stiff, lifeless form of her little baby.

It is possible to be honest and give the wrong directions.

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All I can say to you is this; I am staking my destiny for all eternity on what I am telling you.

I think I am familiar with the fundamental truths of the New Testament, and my business all my life has been to apply these fundamental truths to the human soul. You must be convicted, you must repent, you must be converted, you must be born again. You say, "Bob Jones, those are theological terms, and I don't know what they mean."

Never mind, I am going to make them simple so you can understand.

I saw it illustrated one time like this: I am walking straight down a road. I stop. I say, "I am going in the wrong direction. I ought to turn around and go the other way." The stopping is conviction. I resolve to turn around. The resolving to turn around is repentance. I turn around. The turning around is conversion. I go straight the other way and trust Jesus Christ as a personal Savior, and then I am born again. The new birth is the divine life which is imparted to me when I, by simple faith, trust Jesus Christ as a personal Savior. We have talked about the new birth in such strange theological terms that the rank and file of the people don't know what we mean.

I read in the first chapter of John these words:

"But as many as received Him to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."

The next verse teaches explicitly that the people who thus receive Jesus are born, not of blood, nor the will of the flesh, but of God. In the First Epistle of John we read the words: "He that hath the Son hath life." If we receive Christ we have Him, and if we have Him we have life. There is just one difference between a Christian and a sinner. A Christian has Christ, and a sinner hasn't. That is a big difference. It's the difference between heaven and hell.

You can have religion and not be a Christian. Of course, when we speak of "getting religion" in this country, we mean becoming a Christian, but as a matter of fact everybody has some kind of religion. You can't live without religion. Man is a religious animal. That does not mean he is a Christian animal. The meanest man in this city has some sort of religion. Religion is reliance. The thing upon which you rely for salvation, that is your religion. Some men rely upon one thing, some upon another. Your religion is no stronger than your reliance. A Christian is a person who, knowing that he is insufficient in himself, that he is helpless and undone, and that he cannot save himself, relies upon Jesus Christ and His atoning blood alone for salvation. That's a Christian. He doesn't rely upon himself, he doesn't rely upon his morality, he doesn't rely upon his religion, he doesn't rely upon his church membership. He doesn't partly rely upon any of these things. He relies absolutely, unconditionally and unreservedly upon Jesus Christ.

Years ago I was standing by the deathbed of an old minister down in Alabama. The old man had been a preacher for fifty years. I saw his son, who also was a minister, kneel by his father's bed.

"Father, let your mantle fall on me," cried the son.

"Son, get the mantle of the Lord. My mantle is rags and tatters."

"But father, you have preached for fifty years, and have done more good than any man I know."

The old man, with feeble but distinct voice, said:

"Don't tell me about that, son. Tell me about the blood of Jesus. Nothing but the blood of Jesus will do for a dying man."

If a man who had preached for fifty years and who had lived a pure, straight life, in his dying hour had to rely upon the blood of Jesus Christ, don't you ever think there is any hope for you aside from this atoning blood.

"What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

Nicodemus wasn't a drunkard or a libertine, or a degenerate. If Nicodemus had lived in this city he would have been a leading figure in your moral fights and civic re-

forms. He would have been a member of your church and on your official board. You would have sent him as a delegate to your conventions, or your conferences, or your general assemblies, but one night Nicodemus went to see Jesus, and the holy eyes of Jesus searched the soul of Nicodemus as He said: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Remember that Jesus was talking to the best man of his day. If you haven't been born again you may be a moral, manly man, and you may be a pure, sweet, cultured, refined, modest, virtuous woman, but you sit in that pew in darkness and in sin.

People come to me and say, "Bob Jones, do you believe in instantaneous conversion?" I tell you, there is no other kind of conversion. If you are saved there was a moment in your life when you stepped out of darkness into light, and out of death into life. You may not know when it happened. You may have gradually come up to the line, but the stepping over was instantaneous. If you have never stepped over that line, let this be the moment of your decision. Remember, you are without excuse. We are making it plain to you now. Let's review just a little. A Christian is a person who has been convicted. He has repented. He has been converted. He has been born again.

In the light of what I have said, are you a Christian? I pray God that the Holy Spirit may search your heart, and, if you have not settled it, that you make your decision before you leave this building.

II. Why You Should Be a Christian

I want to give you a few simple reasons why you ought to become a Christian. These reasons are not only simple, but are very practical.

In the first place, you should become a Christian because it is right. There are two words in the English language which appeal to me tremendously. They are little words, but they are mighty big little words. These words are, DO RIGHT. I would like to write them in letters of fire, and flash them over the streets of every city, over every school door, over every office door, and over the entrance of every home.

DO RIGHT. No man ever lost in this world by doing right. He may seem to be losing. People may stand off and watch him and think he is losing, but no man ever lost in life's deal by doing right. No man ever won by doing wrong. You may watch your neighbor who is living in sin, and you may think he is winning, but just as sure as there is a just God on the throne of this universe, the man who does right is bound to win, sometime, somewhere, and the man who does wrong is bound to lose, sometime, somewhere. If you do right, you have Omnipotence back of you. If you do wrong you have Omnipotence against you.

In the first place it is right to yourself to become a Christian. I think God expects me to get the most possible out of life. I think I owe it to myself to treat myself square. I would not be square with myself if I were to turn my back on Jesus Christ and live my life in sin. What would you think of me tonight if I walked out from this service, went to my room, took a gun, and blew out my brains? You would say, "That is suicide. You are sinning against yourself." But the man who rejects Jesus Christ and lives in sin murders his immortal soul. He commits suicide for all eternity.

In the next place, you owe it to your fellowman to become a Christian. There isn't a man in this building who is so insignificant but who has some sort of influence on some other life. If you live in sin you injure the other man. It is unethical for any man to be a sinner.

Dr. George Truett, that princely pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas, and one of the world's greatest Christian leaders, was conducting a revival in a certain city a few years ago. Night after night two fine looking young men came into the services and took their seats near the front. They were such brilliant-looking fellows, and such attentive listeners that Dr. Truett became greatly interested in them. One day he inquired concerning them, and the pastor of the church told him that they were the two most brilliant young lawyers in the city. He learned that they were not mem-

bers of any church, but that they were clean, moral, manly fellows.

One morning Dr. Truett went to the office to see these young men, and introduced himself to them. "Gentlemen," said Dr. Truett, "I want to talk to you. I want to know why you young men are not Christians? You seem to be intelligent young men, and you have listened attentively to my sermons."

One of the young men looked into Dr. Truett's eyes and said:

"Doctor, if we were to tell you why we are not Christians you would think we are very foolish. We graduated in the same class at college, and finished our course in law together. We decided to go into partnership, and be clean, upright lawyers. We looked over this state to find us a model after whom we could pattern our lives and profession. We chose Judge Blank for our model. He is a man above reproach, and one of the cleanest lawyers in the world. We learned that he was not a member of any church and made no profession of religion. We are not unbelievers, but we are living up to our resolution to model our lives after Judge Blank."

"Young gentlemen, I am glad to have met you, and will look for you at the service tonight," said Dr. Truett as he passed out the door.

The great preacher walked over to the office of this prominent judge.

"My name is Truett, and I have come here to ask you a question in ethics. I want to know if it is right for any man to occupy a position in his community that injures his fellowman?"

"Why certainly not," the judge replied.

Dr. Truett told him the story of his conversation with the young lawyers. The judge walked to the window and looked out at the crowd on the street for just a minute, and then, turning around he looked straight into the eyes of the preacher as he said:

"I will come out to hear you preach tonight, Doctor."

That night as Dr. Truett sat in the pulpit looking out upon the crowd he saw the prominent judge walk down the aisle and take his seat near the front. A minute later the two young lawyers came down the same aisle and found a seat just behind the judge. Dr. Truett preached on "Influence." When he was through he gave the invitation for men to come to the front and accept Christ. The influential judge came down the aisle, and just behind him followed the two young lawyers.

My friend, it is unethical for you to be a sinner. If you will come down this aisle on the invitation and take your stand for Christ somebody else will follow you. You owe it to that somebody else to take the stand.

In the third place you owe it to Jesus Christ to become a Christian. I don't understand what a man is thinking about who is willing in this day to press a crown of thorns upon the brow of Jesus. The shadow of His cross has reached down across these two thousand years. He has become the center of human history, and about His cross multiplied millions of human hearts cling. When He was dying He said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." He can't pray that prayer for you tonight because you know what you are doing. You know that you are mistreating the Son of God, and you know that you are not square with God, as long as you reject Jesus Christ.

2. You ought to become a Christian because it is safe. I am going to suppose that there isn't any God. I know there is a God. You ask me how I know? I will tell you. Suppose tonight when I turn off the light and get into my bed I look up through the darkness and I say, "I am thirsty; I want a drink of water," and a moment later I feel a glass of water in my hand, and I drink and quench my thirst. Tomorrow night when the darkness shuts me in, I say, "I am hungry; give me something to eat." A sandwich comes to my hand, and I eat and my appetite is satisfied. Suppose that kind of thing should happen for thirty nights. If I am not a fool I would soon decide there must be an unseen personality in my room who delights to grant my request. I know there is a God. I have never seen Him, but many times He has heard my prayer. I have had a load on my shoulder pressing down upon me until I have grown

so tired I could not carry it any more. I have looked up into the sky and said, "I would like to have some rest." I didn't see the hands that lifted the load, but I felt the load lifted and I found the needed rest. I have had problems to solve, and I have worked on those problems until after a while, with despair in my heart, I have looked up into the heavens and asked for help. I didn't see the God who solved them, but the problems were solved. Many times I have come to the parting of life's road, and I didn't know which way to go. I have stood still for a moment and asked for wisdom, and some unseen God gave me the wisdom.

So, I know there is a God. Remember, I am supposing though, there isn't any God. I am supposing this Bible is a lie, and that there isn't any heaven, and there isn't any hell. I am supposing that when a man dies that is the last of him. I am supposing that earth's teeming millions who have lived, and dreamed, and hoped, and died, have gone back to dust to sleep forever, and that they had no immortal souls.

When I was fourteen years old I knelt by my mother's dying bed, and promised to meet her in heaven. A few moments later my father sobbed and said, "Son, mother is gone." The next day they took her precious body and buried it in a lonely graveyard in southeast Alabama. I have gone to that grave many times late in the afternoon, and I have sat there until the twilight shadows of the evening would fall, and the stars would come out in the sky, and I have said, "I will see my mother again." They tell me I am dreaming. If this is a dream, don't disturb me, for my religion hangs as a rainbow of hope over the dust of my dead, and kindles a smile upon the brow of my bereavement.

Let us suppose that religion is real, that there is a personal God, that the Bible is His inspired Word, that there is a literal heaven and a literal hell, and both are eternal. Suppose that there is a coming judgment to which every man must go, that every man who accepts Jesus will go to heaven, and every man that rejects Him will go to hell. If it is so I win for two worlds. If it is only a dream, I have already won. I can't lose. I have played the game safe.

3. In the next place you should become a Christian because gratitude demands it. Suppose I am passing through this city tonight and I see a home going up in smoke and flames. I hear a woman crying, and I notice that the staircase is burning and flames are leaping out from all the windows. I wrap something about me the best I can and rush through the stifling smoke to rescue the woman. I wrap about her some bedclothes, and come out through the smoke and flame. I put her down in a place of safety, and find that not even a hair of her head is singed. My face is scarred for life. The flesh is burned from my hands, and I rush out in the darkness without a word of complaint. Suppose ten years from this day I am in a certain city walking down the street, and I pass a magnificent home. I walk upon the front porch and ring the bell. A lady comes to the door. I say, "Lady, I want something to eat."

"Who are you?" she asks.

"Just a plain tramp, that's all," is my reply.

"Well, where did you get those scars?" she inquires.

"Ten years ago I was in a certain town and saw a building burning. Attracted by the cry of a woman I rushed through the stifling smoke and flames and rescued that woman and put her down in a place of safety. I noticed that not a hair of her head was singed, and there was no scar on her body, but I received that night these scars which I have carried ever since."

"Oh," she says, "stop, I am that woman. Come on in here. You can have a home as long as you live."

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PROPHECY-WHAT L

by OSWALD J. SMITH

Dr. Smith's latest book - 190 Sample copy \$1.00. The People's Church

"ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE,"

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duals are working to get the library for their own homes.

A Sunday school superintendent in New York wrote: "Dear Brother Rice: I am tremendously interested in your offer of a fifty dollar library for one hundred subscriptions, and I am going to work to that end for the North Baptist Sunday school of which I am superintendent." He asked for samples of *The Sword of the Lord* and the list of the free books, and we have sent them to him.

An assistant pastor in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, said: "Dear Christian Friends: Almost impossible to believe; because the paper is wonderful. Please send me blanks and material for 100 subscriptions. Fifty dollars worth of books is a grand prize to a book lover."

An Indiana pastor wrote for sample copies of the paper and circulars. He said, "I wish all of my church would subscribe."

Pastor Mails Sword Circulars With Church Bulletins

Rev. Ivan E. Olsen in North Platte, Nebraska, wrote: "Dear Brother John: I have appreciated your personal helps and suggestions from time to time. Also have been greatly blessed by *The Sword of the Lord*. I send out very near to 300 Church bulletins each week in the mail, and enclose a tract in each bulletin. Would be very happy if you would furnish me with 300 of the enclosed announcements (the beautiful circulars describing *The Sword*), to put them in one of our bulletins."

"Am willing to do this, first, because of the blessing I know the magazine will be, and second, in appreciation for your kindness to me."

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Four different people wrote to say they were saved through one sermon by Dr. Rice, "NEGLECT, THE SHORTEST ROAD TO HELL," published in March.

What Ministers Say About It
Many, many preachers have written that their lives have been enriched and their ministries have become more fruitful because of *The Sword of the Lord*. Evangelist Hyman Appelmann said: "Your *Sword of the Lord* comes to me every week. It has been a constant source of challenge and inspiration to me. It is needed. Its great evangelistic, consecrated Christian living emphasis is being used of God widely. The preachers who receive it are unanimous in their praise of it. It is a blessing to every Christian heart. I have always given my copies away to others after careful reading of them myself."

Dr. W. B. Riley, famous fundamentalist leader, founder and president of the Northwestern Theological Seminary and Bible Training School, wrote last year: "The May 28th *Sword of the Lord* has just reached my desk. Let me congratulate you on the fine circulation this paper has attained. These are days in which full, sound sermons such as you publish in *The*

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"No More Great Revivals" They Say

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are to wash their robes and make them white in the blood of the Lamb in the brief "Great Tribulation," when it will be much darker than now (Rev. 7:9-14). Then "all Israel shall be saved," a nation in a day, in the future (Rom. 11:25, 26). And Christ delays His coming only because He is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance," says II Peter 3:9, so He surely wants great revivals. The greatest of the world are yet to come!

"Sin and worldliness so abound, we cannot have a great revival," say some. Oh, but brother, Christ is enough for this wicked age as He is enough for all ages! And "where sin abounded, grace did much more abound!" (Rom. 5:20). Where is your faith? Do you really think people now so much harder than the Baal worshipers Elijah faced, with Jezebel and Ahab against Him at Mount Carmel? Do you really think your community is harder to reach than those who crucified Christ, to whom the Spirit-filled Peter preached at Pentecost? God is able!

"Lost sinners will not come to church," people say. But why should they? They would not be saved if they did go to most churches. The world never did go much to church. The Bible never commands them to. That is not the scheme Christ planned at all! The church is to go to the world. Wesley and Whitfield did it, so did Moody and Sunday. Our trou-

ble is not with lost sinners but with Christians who will not obey the Great Commission, then as an alibi say sinners will not come to church.

III. BUT GREAT REVIVALS ARE ALWAYS POSSIBLE WHEN WE ARE WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE FOR THEM

Here are some never changing reasons why there will be more great revivals.

1. The gospel is still "the power of God unto salvation." Thank God! It still will bring conviction, conversion, when preached in boldness and power.

2. It is still true that "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you," and then we can win souls. How wicked and fruitless to try to do God's work without God's power! We have it!

3. God still answers prayer. Persistent, believing, heart-broken prayer like that before Pentecost, that at Mount Carmel, that of Moody and Finney, reaches God! II Chronicles 7:14 is still true!

4. Sin everywhere leaves hearts sad, hungry, fearful. Men can be won. Mothers with dead babies, parents with boys on battlefields, the sick, the poor, the disillusioned, those who have found that neither drink nor sex nor money nor nightclubs can satisfy a heart made for God.

OH IF WE ARE WILLING TO PAY THE COST WE CAN HAVE REVIVALS!

WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

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You shall never want for food and money."

Who is that knocking outside your heart's door? Is it Jesus. "Where did you get all those wounds?" I ask Him. "On the cross," He replies. "Your brow is pierced with many a thorn, and your side — where did you get that scar?"

"I received all these wounds at the cross," He replies. "Two thousand years ago I laid down my life that I might save you forever." Listen to me, men and women, if there is a drop of gratitude in your blood you will accept Him. Man, if you have a heart beating under that suspender buckle you will trust Him and confess Him now. Woman, if you have a woman's soul in your body you will accept Him before you leave this building. The greatest moral monstrosity the world ever saw is a woman who can reject Jesus.

4. One more step. You ought to become a Christian now, because

graphy, 477 pages, \$2.00.

GEORGE MUELLER OF BRISTOL by Aruthur T. Pierson, 462 pages, \$1.50.

DAVID BRAINERD by Dr. Oswald J. Smith, 86 pages, paper cover, 60¢.

HUDSON TAYLOR'S SPIRITUAL SECRET by Dr. & Mrs. Howard Taylor, 178 pages, \$1.00.

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BORDEN OF YALE by Mrs. Howard Taylor, 285 pages, \$1.00.

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS by John Bunyan, 338 pages, 50¢ and \$1.25.

I CRIED, HE ANSWERED, Testimonies of answered prayer, 127 pages, cloth, 75¢, paper, 20¢.

IN HIS STEPS by Charles M. Sheldon, 243 pages, 60¢.

AN IRISH SAINT by Mrs. Helen E. Bingham, 155 pages, \$1.00.

Other books to be included will be listed later.

of the uncertainty of human life. You say, "Bob Jones, we have heard that many times." Yes, sir, but you ought to heed it this time. It is always today with God. It is always tomorrow with the fool.

Some months ago I was entertained for a few days in a lovely Alabama home. I liked my host as much as any man I ever saw. He was one of those big hearted, old-time, naturally loveable fellows. I just couldn't keep from loving him. He was my kind; didn't have any airs; he was just his plain, natural self. When I was ready to tell him good-bye I noticed some tears in his eyes. I said, "Brother Jim, if I can ever do anything for you, I want you to let know."

A few days later I had a letter from him. He said something like this:

"My dear friend Brother Bob: My friend, Mr. Blank, in this town, who holds a certain political position, is dying. He has sent for me and told me that he wants me to be his successor in office when he goes. Now," he said, "I don't want to be after a man's job before he dies, but I must have help if I get this position. I didn't support the present governor, and I haven't much pull with this administration. I want you to help me. Please see my friend, Mr. So and So, in Montgomery, and you and he go to see the governor and tell him the circumstances and try to get this position for me. I am sure my friend will be gone before this letter ever reaches you."

I answered his letter at once, telling him I would be glad to do what I could, and assuring him that I would return to Montgomery in two or three days and take up the matter with the governor. Before my letter reached my friend he fell dead! I kept up with the other man whose position he wanted, and that man was living months later. The uncertainty of human life demands that you settle this question and settle it now. There was never a bigger lie born in hell, or hatched in the domain of the devil, than the statement, "You have plenty of time." Behold, now is the accepted time: behold, now is the day of salvation."

"GLORY JUBILEE SONGS," 64 pages, by Evangelist Joseph T. Larson, 2026 Ave. C., Scottsbluff, Neb. 25 yrs. writing and now Publ. Has 58 songs, 36 choruses, 6 "Spirituals." Intro. by Dr. Haldor Lillenas and Dr. Aruthur W. McKee. Price, 50¢ copy, 10 for \$3.50 (send for list of 7 other books, copy my paper, "Christian Comfort Companion," 5¢ copy, \$1 year.

"Everett For Christ"

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more prayer for the campaign. Two nights of prayer were hence conducted in the Mission Covenant Church, of which Rev. Walter Johnson, secretary of the "Everett for Christ" campaign, is pastor; one near the beginning of the revival, the other near the close. Cottage prayer meetings, organized long before, continued through the course of the union services and, in some cases, are carrying on because they have proved so helpful to those attending.

Many Outstanding Conversions

Space would not permit to tell of the many outstanding results of the Everett campaign. In the three weeks there were actually 292 cards signed, according to Dr. Neal, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and Dr. Jamison, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, co-chairman of the inquiry room. Many others sought the Lord whose names were not obtained, and only eternity will show the number who were saved as a result of the radio ministry. A sister from Lakewood, Washington, wrote in to say,

"I got saved the other night, and I praise the Lord my burden is gone. That was on Friday night after the broadcast. I went on my knees and asked Him to save me, and thank God, He did!"

A well known doctor listened to Dr. Rice on the air, became greatly exercised about his need of the Saviour, hopped in his car at the close of the broadcast and hurried down to the auditorium where the invitation was still being extended. He marched resolutely down to the front, took Dr. Rice by the hand, went into the prayer room and got wonderful peace and joy as he trusted the Lord for forgiveness.

Friends encouraged a soldier to come down to meet Dr. Rice at the auditorium. His reply was, "If I meet that man, he'll get me into the Prayer Room!" He later consented to attend, did meet the evangelist, and sure enough, found himself in the prayer room, accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour.

A hardened unbeliever of many years' rebellion, broke down the last night of the revival, and gave up to the pleadings of an earnest Christian wife and son. The three of them came weeping down the aisle as this father got right with God.

An amazing number of young people got saved, and five or six high school boys did an excellent job of personal work among their schoolmates from night to night. As soon as the invitation hymn was announced these lads could be seen making their way by twos and threes to one unsaved friend after another, earnestly begging them to take Christ.

Much credit is due Rev. Forrest Johnson, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, chairman of the inter-church committee, for the untiring efforts expended on behalf of the campaign. It was his vision, originally, to bring Dr. Rice to Everett, as he had heard him in the great Binghamton revival in New York in 1936 and in Texas. He persuaded his preacher brethren of Everett to invite Dr. Rice for a large scale union campaign, and this revival of the past weeks has been the result. Rev. Roy Peterson, pastor of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, worked right with Pastor Johnson on the many details of preparation, and assumed responsibility for publicity. Bumper cards on all city buses and on the cars of church people, a huge banner poster with an enormous picture of Dr. Rice on the front of the high school, artistic multi-colored posters in all business houses, cards mounted on sticks to be placed in people's lawns, etc. made Everett revival conspicuous.

The campaign clarified the religious atmosphere of the community, brought pastors from all denominations to sit on the platform together each night, and gave a new impetus to all Bible Christians to love other Christians, and to have a passion for the unsaved.

Churches cooperating included the following denominations: Baptist, Christian, Christian and Missionary Alliance, Church of God, Friends, Methodist, Mission Covenant, Nazarene, United Presbyterian, Volunteers of America, etc.

WHAT LIES AHEAD?

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"All Last Night Both of Us Had Much to Talk About. We Both Believe Now That We Are Saved And Are So Happy"

March 1, 1944

"Evangelist John R. Rice

"Wheaton, Illinois

"Dear Brother Rice:

"My husband and I for the last six months have realized what a wonderful thing it is to know that after this life on earth there is an even greater and happier life to be spent with the Triune God, that is, if you accept Jesus for your personal Saviour.

"We were confirmed and baptized on Palm Sunday, 1943. We hadn't given much thought to the hereafter before that. Then gradually we began to become more and more conscious of it.

"We began our little devotional service each morning at home. Then we started a little family altar service each night. Meanwhile we began to pray and thank God for all the blessings that we have received since we were married three years ago.

"There still seemed to be something lacking. We wanted so much to be saved but didn't know exactly what to do.

"The other day, February 28, a fellow-worker, out at Rowe's Mfg. Co., where my husband works, handed him one of your booklets, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?*

"They had been talking about different things in regard to Jesus and salvation. This man had studied the Bible for fifteen years and knew quite a bit about what he was talking about.

"Well, that night my husband read the booklet and so did I. We both received a new feeling about things. My husband left the room and knelt down to pray and ask God and Jesus to help him and to save him.

"Each night we have always knelt by our bed and said our prayers. A couple of times lately when I have asked God to have mercy on us and help us, I have suddenly burst into tears. I never knew why I did but I hope that is a sign that I am saved.

"Yesterday while at work my husband suddenly felt something come over him. He felt something so close to him that he wanted to reach out and touch it. All the rest of the day he was so happy and could hardly wait till he got home to tell me about it. And all day I had felt so much differently after reading that little booklet.

"All last night both of us had much to talk about. We both believe now that we are saved and are so happy.

"Enclosed is \$1. Could you please send us a dollars' worth of your little booklets, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* My Husband and I want to go out and help others to find the happiness that we have found.

"Very truly yours,"
(Signed) Mr. & Mrs. C. L. J.
Galesburg, Illinois

"Your Book Answered My Question."

March 25

"Dear Sir:

"I have just finished reading your booklet, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* A friend of mine gave it to me. A lady gave it to him while he was in town on liberty.

"I have been praying for a few nights now, asking God to forgive me of my sins and to bring my girl down here to me so we could be married. Just the other day I got a letter from Betty, saying she wanted me to pray that she could come, and we could be together. This started me to thinking, and I thought, our prayers will never be answered if we do not believe God and trust Him. So I wanted to know what I must do to be saved. Your book answered my question. I believe it was God's will for this thing to happen this way.

"I will join in your prayers that thousands may be saved through your booklet.

"A friend has asked me to let him have my copy of your book as soon as I finish reading it. I will take it to him as soon as I finish this letter.

"I have asked my girl to send me a Bible and I would appreciate the Christian literature you mentioned in your booklet."

(Signed) Melvin Cox, S 2/C
Banana River, Florida

Mr. Cox tore page 23 out of the booklet, and signed his name, saying he was willing to trust Christ as Saviour.

"He Saved Me . . . this Morning About 1:45 A. M."

Hammond, Indiana

March 17, 1944

"Dear Dr. Rice:

"Although we have never met, I feel I know you since reading *The Sword of the Lord* and several of your mighty fine books. I am about half through on your book of Prayer and my, I say it is the best book yet I think I have ever read. It certainly has been a help to me.

"I am a telegraph operator on Erie Railroad and 24 years old. I have a lovely wife and a fine daughter God gave me two years ago last January . . .

"I have seen the error of my way, and praise God, He saved me last night or rather this morning about 1:45 A. M. . . . We know there are many things on earth we do not understand but praise God, there is a place where there is no separation. I am trying to show my wife the way of the Lord and how simple it is to be saved. She is praying and wants to be saved.

"Dr. Rice, I am sorry I wrote such a letter so long, but I wanted to send my decision slip and in the future, I hope to hear from you."

His decision reads —

"Dear Brother Rice:

"I have read several of your wonderful books and messages in *The Sword of the Lord* paper. I accept Jesus as my personal Saviour. By faith I claim Christ as my Saviour this very day and I will rest in Him, receive Him and openly claim Him as my Saviour."

(Signed) Dwayne Royer
Hammond, Indiana
Date: Mar. 17, 1944 — 1:45 A. M.

On March 23 Mr. Royer wrote again:

"Dear Dr. Rice:

"You have no idea how happy I am that my wife signed the decision slip enclosed. She read your booklet on *What Must I Do to Be Saved* and is now reading your book on Hell. I am very happy she has put her trust in the Lord. There is no other way to live.

"She trusted the Lord about the same time I did and we have made many changes in our home. We read the Bible daily together and we each have a regular time for our personal prayer.

"We thank the Lord for our sweet little two year old daughter He gave us. We want to live in such a way that when she gets older she will be in a home where Christ is the head of the house.

"I was very thankful for your fine letter and booklets. I am going to send the one on *What Must I Do to Be Saved* to my brother in the south Pacific area somewhere. When he left I do not think he was saved, but since then he has written he is trusting the Lord for his return.

"May God bless you in your wonderful works."

(Signed) Dwayne Royer

Chinese Soldier Accepts Christ
Nilwood, Illinois
March 5, 1944

"Dear Brother Rice:

"No doubt you will rejoice with us to get this signed decision. It is from a Chinese boy in our air corp. All he knew was the Buddha religion. We got acquainted with him when he was at our home for a Christmas dinner. They were giving invitations to soldiers, so we invited him to dine with us. He was stationed at the fair ground at Springfield, Illinois, at that time, but he left there and went to a camp in Florida. I wrote him about his soul's salvation and sent him one of your books, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* I got a letter from him later and he said he was reading the book, but had not finished it. This last week we got another letter from him with this signed statement.

"He said he had read it twice through and said he did not understand it all but that he could sign it and would gladly confess publicly Jesus as his Saviour.

"When I wrote him I said, 'Vernon, we want you to read this little book and after you have carefully read it, if you can with your whole heart accept what you have read and trust Christ as your Saviour, the best you know how, if you do not quite understand all

you have read, He will save you. I stressed to him not to sign the confession just because we asked him to, but because he felt in his heart that he was a sinner and needed a Saviour and would believe and trust Jesus to save him.

"Brother Rice, if you have any booklets you could send him to strengthen his faith, I wish you would send them to him. He is a stranger to us. We only met him the one time but we knew he had a soul to save and we believe God has saved him. He wants to go to China. Maybe God will call him as a missionary to his Chinese people. Let us all pray to this end. 'Yours for Service,'

(Signed) Mr. & Mrs. Henry Davis

The Chinese boy, Cpl. Vernon B. Wong, read the booklet, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* and tore out page 23, dated the slip, February 27, 1944 and signed his name to the following statement:

"Realizing that I am a sinner and believing that Christ died for my sins, I here and now trust Him to be my personal Saviour, depending on Him to forgive all my sins, change my heart, and give me everlasting life as He promised to do. I am glad to confess Him as my Saviour and gladly mail this to let you know."

It may be God will use him as a missionary to his own Chinese people — who can tell what this decision in his life may mean!

What Being a Christian Means to A Boy in Death's Row in Penitentiary

Mr. A. C. Smith, who is doing a wonderful work in the Texas Prison System, sends us monthly reports of those who have been saved through Dr. Rice's literature, which he sends to men behind the walls. Bible classes have been organized, and the letters Mr. Smith receives from the men are very encouraging. Recently we published in *The Sword of the Lord* a picture of some of the new converts who were baptized after having accepted Christ as their Saviour. We know Mr. Smith, now in his seventies, is doing a marvelous work in the prisons. Although he is very short of help, he writes to these prisoners regularly, sends them tracts, Bibles with their names on them, postage stamps, etc. Just last week Mr. Smith sent us the following two interesting letters which he had received. The first one is from a man, twenty-five years old, who goes to the electric chair in April.

Huntsville, Texas

March 18, 1944

"Dear Mr. and Mrs. Smith:

"I just received your most welcomed letter and was sure glad to get it. I am in the best of health, hoping this letter finds you all in the best of health. I just received a letter from mother and she is better now. Thanks for the stamps and booklet.

"To be a Christian is the most wonderful life I have ever lived. I am sure glad that I took the Lord Jesus as my Saviour. I am reading the Bible every day and I am praying all the time. Willie is a Christian and he is all right but he don't talk much. Answer soon."

(Signed) Bruce Jordan

Mr. Smith made these remarks at the bottom of the letter: "This is the white boy, 25, who goes to the chair midnight, April 1-17. Willie is a colored boy who goes to the chair also. Have written him a couple of times and sent literature but no answer from him. Maybe he can't write. He has a Bible and reads it a great deal, I am told."

We quote only part of another letter from one of the prisoners, to show you what it means to be loved by those on the outside:

March 19, 1944

"Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Smith

San Antonio, Texas

"Dear Friends:

"... Mr. Smith, can you please tell me why you folks are going to so much trouble to help me and writing and sending me the Bible? I'm a stranger to you. You are very kind and considerate but what is the point? I think I received a little booklet from you when I first came to this unit — (a gospel of John and *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* A. C. S.). Is it because I joined the Bible class? I know it's the Lord's request to try to get you to save others, but you go even farther than that; you write nice friendly letters. They help a lot and I thank you with all my heart. My reason for

asking you to tell me this is because I've never had anyone to go out of his way to help me, let alone a total stranger . . ."

(Signed) P. C. N.

Yes, even hardened prisoners' hearts may be touched and won for Christ if someone cares for them. We encourage you to pray very, very earnestly for the work he is doing with our literature and help support it if you feel led. Mr. A. C. Smith's address is P. O. Box 200, San Antonio, Texas. He would appreciate letters of encouragement and would be greatly pleased to know that some of the *Sword* readers are praying for him. We are glad to send Mr. Smith all the booklets he can use.

Miss Marie Rogers of Kansas City, Kansas, ordered some of the booklets, *What Must I Do to Be Saved?* and said, "A very near and dear one to me was saved through this booklet."

From the Rural Evangelistic Mission comes this word, "We can even count for two professions which were a definite result of your tracts."

When Dr. Rice was in his office recently, he was "figuring up" ways to give more of his booklets away (as he is usually doing). I reminded him that we were cut down on paper this year, and that we might not be able to get more printed when these were gone that we had in stock. His reply to me was something like this, "Wouldn't I feel embarrassed if the Lord came and all these books were stacked here in our basement?" Well, I had no answer to that except to be ashamed of my little faith of getting more printed when the present supply is exhausted!

So we urge you to get a copy or copies of the booklet, *What Must I Do to Be Saved* for loved ones unsaved. And we will send you a good supply if you write and tell us that you plan to give them only to those who will promise to read them. We know if we are careful in the distribution of them and not wasteful, God will see that we get paper for more. So we ask that when you order, you tell us how they will be used, and we will gladly send you what you can prayerfully give out to people who promise to read them. Wherever possible, we ask that you accompany the booklet with a personal word.

Gifts Received During March

The following helped with their offerings during March:

Mr. Dan Todd, Minn.	\$20.00
Mrs. Christ Nelson, Wisc.	10.00
Miss Helen Kettler, Wisc.	.50
Mrs. F. A. Hammer, Minn.	5.00
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